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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed on Oct. 27, 2005 ("Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment", hereinafter "Notice"). The Notice states that Applicants' amendment filed on Oct. 3, 2005 is considered non-compliant. In particular, the Notice alleges several deficiencies in the amendments to the claims, regarding the claims listing and numbering.

The above-referenced amendment is a non-final amendment (mailed by Applicants on Sep. 29, 2005 in response to the Office Action dated Apr. 29, 2005). Accordingly, Applicants are given the longer of one month, or thirty days from the mailing date of the Notice to correct the non-compliance.

The summary of the Office Action mailed on Apr. 29, 2005 indicates that claims 17-34 are pending in the application, that claims 29-31 are withdrawn, and

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that claims 17-28 and 32-34 are rejected or objected to as set forth in the summary (Applicants believe that claims 18-19, 28 and 32-33 have been rejoined and are under consideration; the Examiner is respectfully requested to inform Applicants if that is not the case).

Applicants submit herewith a corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section which includes a corrected listing of claims. This corrected section is believed to be responsive to the Notice. Applicants submit that the claims listing is complete (including claims 1-16), that the text of all pending claims is included, that each claim has the proper status identifier, and that the claims are presented in ascending numerical order. Applicants submit that the corrected section is compliant with 37 CFR 1.121 and 1.4.

Respectfully submitted,

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